

August 04, 2015

2015 QUANTICO CLASSIC

FISHING TOURNAMENT RULES

1. PARTICIPANTS AND ELIGIBILITY: The 2015 Quantico Classic Fishing Tournament is open to anglers of all ages, skill levels and physical ability. All participants must (A) complete and submit a 2015 Registration Form (B) make payment and (C) sign and submit a Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement before being added to the official participants list. For participants less than 18 years of age the Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement must also be signed by the youth's parent or legal guardian. All youth participants must be under the direct supervision of a parent, guardian or participant who is over 18 years of age and who may or may not be a tournament participant. All participants are responsible for ensuring they, and youths under their supervision, are properly licensed to fish/bow fish in the tournament fishing area. All participants are responsible for ensuring they are familiar with and abide by all current Federal, State (VA & MD), Local and Marine Corps Base Quantico regulations for the area they are fishing, to include but not limited to licensing requirements, legal fishing methods, boat registration, safety and lighting, and physical access. Participants using watercraft on the Potomac River should pay particular attention to the restricted boating area in the vicinity of Chopawamsic Island and Marine Corps Air Facility Quantico.

2. EVENT SCHEDULE: The 2015 Quantico Classic Fishing Tournament is a thirty hour (30 hour) event. The event will start on Friday August 28, 2015 at 12:00 PM and end on Saturday August 29, 2015 at 6:00 PM. The detailed event schedule is listed below.

	Date	Time
Fishing Starts*	Fri Aug 28 th	12:00 PM
Fishing Ends	Sat Aug 29 th	4:00 PM
Scoring/Weigh-In	Sat Aug 29 th	5:00 PM
Awards	Sat Aug 29 th	6:00 PM

*Participants may be located anywhere in the fishing area (see section 6 below) when tournament fishing starts on Friday August 28, 2015 at 1200 PM.

3. RAIN DATE: The rain date for this event will be Friday Sept 4th and Sat Sept 5th. The decision to move the event to the rain date will be made by the Tournament Director no later than Thursday August 27, 2015 at 5:00 PM. In the event the tournament is moved to the rain date participants will be notified by email or telephone. The decision will also be posted to the town's website (www.townofquantico.org) and FACEBOOK page. Participants are encouraged to contact the Tournament Director at (571) 334-3432 or mayor@townofquantico.org with any questions about rescheduling to the rain date.

4. FEES (All fees are non-refundable):

	Pre-Registration	Same Day Registration
Adult	\$25.00	\$35.00
Youth	\$10.00	\$15.00

5. REGISTRATION (All registration fees are non-refundable):

5.1. In-Person Pre-Registration: (CASH or CHECK ONLY):

Participants may pre-register in-person by submitting their completed Registration Form and Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement along with payment to the following address. In-person pre-registration payments may be made by CASH or CHECK. Checks should be payable to "Treasurer, Town of Quantico". All in-person pre-registration submissions MUST be received no later than Thursday August 27, 2015 at 2:00 PM EST.

***Town of Quantico Municipal Office
337 5th Ave. Quantico, VA 22134
Mon – Fri 9am to 2pm
Office: (703) 640-7411***

5.2 Mail-In Pre-Registration: (CHECK ONLY):

Participants may pre-register by mail mailing their completed Registration Form and Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement along with payment to the following address. Checks should be payable to "Treasurer, Town of Quantico". All mail-in pre-registration submissions MUST be received no later than Thursday August 27, 2014 at 2:00 PM EST.

***Town of Quantico
Attn: Quantico Classic
P.O. Box 152
Quantico, VA 22134***

5.3 Same Day Registration: (CASH or CHECK ONLY):

Participants may conduct in-person "same day" registration by submitting their completed Registration Form and Waiver of Liability and Hold Harmless Agreement along with payment to the following address. In-person pre-registration payments may be made by CASH or CHECK. Checks should be payable to "Treasurer, Town of Quantico". All in-person "same day" registration submissions MUST be received no later than Friday May 2, 2014 at 2:00 PM EST.

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6. TOURNAMENT HEADQUARTERS: Prior to the establishment of the tournament headquarters all questions/comments/issues should be directed to the Tournament Director via phone or email at Cell/Text (571) 334-3432 or mayor@townofquantico.org . The tournament headquarters will be established at Raftelis Potomac River Park 408 River Road Quantico VA 22134 on Saturday August 29, 2015 from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM.

7. FISHING AREA: The official tournament area for the 2015 Quantico Classic will include Quantico Creek, Chopawamsic Creek and the Potomac River (South of the power lines located North of Possum Point (VA) and Moss Point (MD) North of Clifton Point (VA) and Liverpool Point (MD),

8. FISHING DIVISIONS: There will be three divisions for this tournament: (1) Angler – Youth (under 18 yrs), (2) Angler – Adult (18 yrs and older) and (3) Angler - Team. Participants must select their division at the time of registration. Participants may only compete in one division. Participants under 18 years of age may elect to participate in the Adult age group but must pay the Adult fee at the time of registration. Participants may NOT switch divisions once tournament fishing commences on Friday August 28, 2015 at 12:00 PM.

Divisions:
Youth
Adult
Team

10. TEAMS: Participants may form 2 person teams. All teams must be declared at registration by listing the team name on each team member's registration form. Participants entering as a member of a team will not be eligible for individual awards. Teams may include both Adult and Youth participants. Teams using a boat powered by a gas or electric motor must fish from the same boat. The team "same boat" requirement does not apply to teams utilizing canoes and/or kayaks. Participants fishing from land may also form teams and are not required to stay in the same location. Both team members **MUST** be present at scoring or the team will be disqualified from the tournament.

11. SCORING: Tournament scoring/weigh-in and the presentation of awards will be held at: *Raftelis Potomac River Park 408 River Road Quantico, VA 22134.*

There will be no early scoring/weigh-in allowed. Participants/teams must be present at scoring to be eligible for awards.

Gar, Carp, Catfish and Snakehead Scoring: Each species will be scored based on the gross weight of all fish submitted by the participant or team (tie breaker is weight of largest fish). Any participant submitting a live snakehead during scoring will be disqualified from the tournament. Participants are encouraged to go to the following website before the tournament to familiarize themselves with the special rules regarding catching, handling and transporting snakehead:

Northern Snakehead – Frequently Asked questions:

Bass Scoring: Bass will be scored on the top 5 fish recorded on the participant's or team's Bass Scorecard (tie breaker is length of largest fish on scorecard). Largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass may be submitted for scoring. All participants must use the catch and release method when fishing for bass during the tournament. There will be no live scoring/weigh-in for bass. Anyone presenting a live bass during scoring will be immediately disqualified from the tournament.

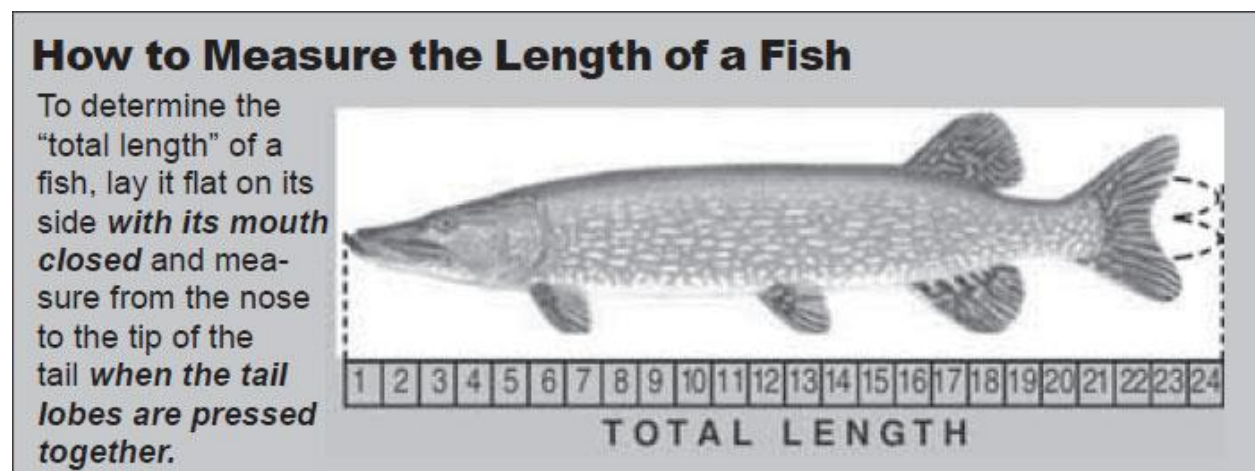
Participants fishing as anglers will be issued a bass score card to record all bass caught during the tournament. Participants will be required to record the following information for each bass caught:

- (1) Date of Catch
- (2) Time of Catch
- (3) Length of Catch (measured as described below - to the nearest ¼in – rounding down)

Participants are also required to follow the Modified “Certifying Your Fish By Length and Photo” instructions listed below:

Modified “Certifying Your Fish By Length and Photo” Rules:

- Lay the fish on top of a flat/firm tournament style measuring board/ruler. (Flexible/tape style measuring devices MAY NOT be used)
- Close the fish's mouth and squeeze the tail lobes together (see picture below)
- Measure from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail (to the nearest ¼ inch).
- Take a picture of the measured fish and record the (1) date caught (2) time caught and (3) length (to the nearest ¼ inch) on the tournament score card



During scoring the team with the gross length of bass recorded on their scorecard will be required to validate their scorecard by presenting photos of each fish to the Tournament Director. Fish listed on a scorecard that cannot be validated by a picture showing a properly measured fish will not be accepted. All bass must be measured using a firm/flat tournament style measuring board/ruler (with clearly marked

lengths to the ¼ inch). Bass anglers are responsible for providing their own tournament style measuring board/ruler.

11. AWARDS: Team members are NOT eligible for the Youth or Adult awards.

Participants/Teams not present at the start of scoring on Saturday August 29, 2015 at 5:00 PM will be disqualified and will not be eligible for awards. The Tournament Director reserves the right to reject any fish that shows evidence of being taken outside of tournament rules and regulations. No fish harvested prior to the stated tournament hours may be entered. The Tournament Director reserves the right to disqualify any participant or team that may attempt to submit fish for scoring that were caught prior to the official start of the tournament. Additionally, fish may not be altered or added to in any way to increase weight. Awards will be issued for the following categories:

	Bass Gross Length - Top 5 Fish	Snakehead Gross Weight - All Fish	Catfish Gross Weight - All Fish	Carp Gross Weight - All Fish	Gar Gross Weight - All Fish
Individual	1st / 2nd / 3rd	1st / 2nd / 3rd	1st	1st	1st
Team	1st / 2nd / 3rd	1st / 2nd / 3rd	1st	1st	1st

Additional awards and prizes may be issued based on pending sponsorship requests and registration levels.

12. DISPOSAL OF FISH: Participants are responsible for disposal/removal of their catch.

13. TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT: All fish must be caught in a legal sporting manner. Fish may be harvested using either bow fishing equipment or by hook-and-line methods that include fly-fishing. Artificial or legal live bait may be used. Nets, electro-fishing equipment and trotline/"trout lines" are prohibited during the tournament. It is the participant's responsibility to know and conform to all applicable Federal, State and Local laws and Marine Corps Base Quantico regulations regarding legal tackle and equipment.

14. BOATS: Participants and teams are allowed to use boats during the tournament. Participants are responsible for ensuring their boat is properly registered as required by law and is equipped with the proper and necessary safety equipment. Teams using a boat powered by a gas or electric motor must fish/bowfish from the same boat. The team "same boat" requirement does not apply to canoes and kayaks.

15. PROTESTS: All protests must be submitted verbally and then in writing no later than 15 minutes after the tournament official closes the scales/scoring. You must have at least one witness to confirm the violation other than yourself. The Tournament Director will hear protests and the decisions of the Tournament Director will be final.

16. SPORTSMANSHIP: All teams are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, safety, and conservation. Any team who displays poor sportsmanship, violates tournament rules, or any Federal, State, Local laws or Marine Corps Base Quantico regulations, or brings unfavorable publicity to the Town of Quantico, Marine Corps Base Quantico or the 2015 Quantico Classic Fishing Tournament will be disqualified at the Tournament Director's discretion. Specifically the use of obscene language or gestures is strictly forbidden at any time prior to, during, or after the event in the area of Raftelis Potomac River Park, the town municipal office or in relation to another participant or team. Any infraction of these fundamental sporting principles may be deemed cause for disqualification or other penalty. Use of alcohol or drugs, other than those purchased over the counter or prescribed by a licensed physician, by any participant during the tournament will not be tolerated and shall be cause for automatic disqualification for this and all future tournaments. Maximum courtesy must be practiced at all times, especially with regard to boating and angling in the vicinity of non-competitors who may be on tournament waters.

17. TIDES: The projected tides for the tournament dates and area are below:

Date	Day	Time	Hgt
08/28	Fri	06:17 AM	1.75 H
08/28	Fri	12:28 PM	0.1 L
08/28	Fri	06:51 PM	1.64 H
08/29	Sat	12:40 AM	0.11 L
08/29	Sat	07:09 AM	1.79 H
08/29	Sat	01:17 PM	0.02 L
08/29	Sat	07:40 PM	1.72 H

18. PARKING: Parking will be available at Raftelis Potomac River Park. Additional parking will be available on Potomac Avenue. Please be advised that (1) there is NO PARKING allowed on River Road and (2) parking on 3rd Ave & 4th Ave is restricted to RESIDENTS ONLY. Please contact the Tournament Director if you have any questions or issues with parking. Participants must notify the Tournament Director if they intend to park their vehicle and/or trailer at Raftelis Potomac River Park overnight.

19. BOAT DOCKING: There is a floating boat dock available at Raftelis Potomac River Park 408 River Road Quantico VA 22134.

20. RULE CHANGES: The Tournament Director reserves the right to modify the tournament rules at any time prior to the start of tournament fishing on Friday August 28, 2015 12:00 PM.

21. QUESTIONS: For questions about the tournament, please contact the Tournament Director Kevin Brown at Cell/Text (571) 334-3432 or mayor@townofquantico.org